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PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce—Transactions of Service month of December, 1907.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ferrer-Torres reports, January 4, through Chief Quarantine Officer Foster:

Month of December, 1907.

Vessels inspected.....	18
Vessels in quarantine.....	10
Passengers inspected:	
Incoming.....	79
In transit.....	742
Passengers in quarantine.....	27
Immigrants inspected.....	23
Crew inspected.....	1,179
Bills of health issued.....	31

TUNIS.

Port of Tunis declared free of plague.

The following is received from the Department of State, under date of January 16:

The American Ambassador at Paris reports, under date of December 31, that he is advised by the French foreign office that the last case of plague discovered in Tunis was on October 29 last; that the bacteriological examinations made on rats have proved negative for more than two weeks; that all measures for disinfection and for the destruction of rats have been applied, and that the port of Tunis need, therefore, no longer be considered as contaminated.

VENEZUELA.

Report from La Guaira—Smallpox at Caracas and La Guaira—No yellow fever present at Caracas.

In confirmation of his cablegram of December 30, received through the Department of State and published in the Public Health Reports of January 10, Consul Moffatt reports, under the same date, that from October 23 to November 23, 275 cases of smallpox, with 5 deaths, were reported at Caracas. These figures were erroneously included under yellow fever in the Public Health Reports of December 13. No yellow fever is known to exist at Caracas. One yellow fever case was officially reported at La Guaira for the week ended November 9. The authorities at Caracas have advised general vaccination against smallpox.

Consul Moffatt further reports, January 3, that it is estimated that there have been 3,000 cases of smallpox at Caracas during the last few weeks. As regards La Guaira it is estimated that there have been about 25 scattered cases.

WEST INDIES.

Report from Bridgetown, Barbados—Island of Barbados declared free of yellow fever—Summary of yellow fever from date of outbreak.

Consul Clare reports, December 30:

No cases or deaths from yellow fever have occurred for two weeks prior to December 25.

Under the terms of the quarantine convention the health authorities have to-day declared the island to be free of any quarantinable